Fueling Philanthropy, as part of the Philanthropy Lab course at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, will be awarding grants to nonprofit organizations for a total of $50,000.

**Mission:** To advance organizations that provide equal access to resources supporting the wellbeing and development of youth.

**Vision:** Cultivating positive connections between youth and the world around them, creating immediate and lasting impacts.

The Fueling Philanthropy initiative is part of an undergraduate course at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. The course engages college students in philanthropic giving through the tangible responsibility to award $50,000 in grants towards nonprofit organizations. Through this collaboration, we will evaluate nonprofits to offer financial support through grant funding. Preference will be given to organizations that focus on equal access to education, health, and alleviation of poverty disparities among youth.

Fueling Philanthropy values programs that target direct service and advocacy in order to have a lasting impact on the community in which the nonprofit resides. We will prioritize organizations with community representation in leadership, financial transparency, and a history of impactful outcomes. Our evaluation criteria is intended to stimulate growth in the community and provide support to organizations where the grant can have the most impact. We will be holding a grant awards ceremony in December, and strongly desire the attendance of all awarded organizations. We will also conduct a 6 month, 1 and 2 year benchmark evaluation of the awarded organizations through surveys and/or site visits.

**Nonprofits can apply for a grant in one of three levels:** Level 1 - up to $5,000 award, Level 2 - up to $15,000 award, Level 3 - up to $25,000 award. Grant distribution will be decided once all applications have been reviewed. Each NGO may only submit one proposal to which level they are applying.

**Deadlines and Important Dates:**

1) Proposals are due by Wednesday, November 1st at 11:59 PM
2) Notification of grant awardees before the end of November
3) Grant Awards Ceremony for accepted grantees will take place in early December in the School of Human Ecology, Plenary Hall on the UW-Madison campus

**Eligibility Criteria:**
- Must have a connection to the Midwest (EX: Midwest chapter, university involvement, or primary location)
- Funds cannot be distributed to political or religious organizations
- Be a 501(c)(3) organization

**Fueling Philanthropy’s Areas of Interest:** Youth - Education, Health, and Poverty